

Chickahominy Area Triad Advisory

Council Meeting Minutes

19 Apr 2023

- **Meeting Called to Order:**

- The Triad's Chairperson, Ms. Doris Holloman, called the meeting to order at 2:15p.m. and welcomed all members and guests.
- Meeting attendees were Doris Holloman, Danny Green, Cynthia Green, Nora Allen, Zach Wisner, Katie Johnson, Brenner Carter, Lillie Armstead, Florence Snead, Edward Richards, Sylvia Hathaway, Laurie Hunter, Jimmie Johnson, Joe McLaughlin, Marissa Gernon, Dorothy Jefferson, Gale Armstead, Lee Bailey, Carolyn Dooley, and Alease Christian. Agencies and organizations represented included, the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), Charles City Parks and Recreation, Senior Connections, JenCare, Charles City County Fire Department, New Kent County Sheriff Office and Medicare Assistance & Counseling, Inc. (MACI). Attendance records (sign in log) maintained by the Secretary.

- **Introduction & Program:**

- Ms. Laurie Hunter, Senior Connections – Ombudsman, was the program presenter for the meeting. She introduced herself and spoke on her role and duties as “Ombudsman”.
- She related that her primary role was being an “advocate” for seniors and to ensure that the quality of care, quality of life and basic rights of long-term care recipients were being met and continued to meet the highest healthcare standard possible as outlined federal, state and local entities. She further related that the Ombudsman served those elderly individuals that could no longer care for themselves at home and that was being cared for by the staff of nursing homes, assisted living facility and those being cared for in a home or community setting.
- She continued saying, her duties involved helping the patients, their families,

caregivers, and court appointed guardians resolve problems with healthcare issues., She helps them understand and exercise their rights and helps them obtain the assistance, when appropriate. She explained how her role as “Ombudsman” also has a direct impact on those elderly individuals that were experiencing problems with long-term care issues. She related that in working with long-term care issues and that she often helped negotiate solutions. All information is kept confidential, and services are provided to eligible clients at no cost. Ms. Hunter closed her presentation with a Q&A period. Ms. Hunter then called up Mr. Edward Richards, of Senior Connections. (See attached flyer).

- Ms. Hunter provided the group with handouts on the services offered by the “Ombudsman,” see attached flyer/pamphlet. To learn more about the role of the “Ombudsman” you can contact Ms. Hunter, at Senior Connections’, (804) 552-5019, email: lhunter@youraaa.org or visit: www.ElderRightsVa.org.
- Mr. Edwards spoke briefly on a survey that had been launched by Senior Connections to help that agency identify and address the long- range (4 year) desires, wants and needs of the communities it served. The agency is working to streamline its process by coordinating needed services both internally and externally service providers, in some cases. Mr. Edwards further related that on 26 Apr 2023, Senior Connections would be hosting a Virtual Town Hall Meeting, starting at 10:00 AM via Zoom and those wishing to join could join the meeting at: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/846295711330?pwd=dTIQMjjBkRzZwTW11c0gySHhLVjRPUT09> or dial: 301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 846-2957-1330, Passcode: 162868. Mr. Edwards also related that individuals who responded to the Survey were eligible for a \$100 gift certificate. For more information visit: www.seniorconnections-va.org. (See attached flyer).
- Regarding the “Senior Connections Survey,” Mr. Edwards can be contacted by calling (804) 822-3569 or at email: erichard@youraaa.org

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

- The Triad's 15 February 2023, meeting minutes were approved as drafted.
- **Treasurer's Report:**
 - The Triad's account balance remains at \$755.12, no changes. **NOTE:** An attachment has been provided to clarify "who can make a motion during a Triad meeting." (See attached).
- **Old Business:**
 - Vice-Chairperson, Mr. Green, informed the group that the Triad had received its 501(c)(3) "Determination Notice" from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Virginia Department of Taxation. He related that Chickahominy Area Triad were now tax-exempt from paying both federal and state taxes. **(CLOSED)**
 - Mr. Green stated that the Triad's organizational vests were in production and should be ready for distribution by the organization's next meeting or sooner. When asked about cost, he related that there would be no cost to the organizational members. An active organizational member is defined by any individual who has attended four (4) meetings in the past 12 months – review of attendance records will be conducted. He also related that a loaner vest would be available for individuals wishing to participate in a Triad sponsored event or fundraiser effort. Loaner vests must be returned after any event. **(OPEN)**
 - The Vice-chair commented on the organization's continued efforts to recruit new members. **(OPEN)**
- **New Business:**
 - Mr. Green related that the Triad IRS 501 (c)(3) and Virginia Nonstock-Corporation status make it mandatory for the organization to establish and open a bank checking account preferably at the banking institution that did

not change a monthly fee. He related that he would check with local banking facilities.

- **Members Sharing:**

- New Kent Parks & Recreation is hosting a “Senior’s Picnic” at Pine Fork Park, 6410 Pine Fork Road, Quniton, VA 23141, on Thursday, 11 May 2023, starting at 12:00 PM.
- A special thanks to JenCare Senior Medical and Medicare Assistance and Counseling for their generosity – they provided refreshments for the meeting. The New Kent County Sheriff’s Office is recognized for allowing the Triad to use its training/meeting room.
- The New Kent County Fair is scheduled to be held on 12 August 2023. The Fair will be held at the New Kent Middle School, 7501 Egypt Road, New Kent, VA., from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. To learn more, you can contact a Fair representative at NewKentCountyFair@yahoo.com.
- The Chair, Ms. Doris Hollman, showed the assembled group a photo of her displaying a Triad Brochure at a Charles City County sponsored event – annual calendar.

- **Meeting Adjournment:**

- The next scheduled Triad Meeting is 21 June 2023, 2:00 p.m., at the Charles City County, Park, and Recreation Center (Social Club), 8320 Ruthville Road, Providence Force, VA 23140. The presentation with the presented by the Charles City County Fire Department, subject “Home Fire Safety.” Light refreshments will be served.
- See attachments for additional information and/or details covered during the meeting.
- The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Danny Green

21 Jun 2023

Danny Green

Vice-Chairperson & Acting Security

Date

Atchs:

1. Ombudsman Support Information
2. Ombudsman Role & Duties
3. Nursing Home Information
4. Senior Connection's Survey FY-23
5. Senior Connection's Virtual Town Meeting
6. Senior Connection's Flyer
7. Robert's Rules of Order Extract (Conducting Meeting)
8. Who Can Make a Meeting Motion Information